

Claims

1. An edible film composition for delivering an active agent to the oral cavity, the composition comprising a water-dispersible film-forming material selected from a cellulose ether and a starch, and a food acid.
- 5 2. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the food acid is selected from the group consisting of citric acid, malic acid, glacial acetic acid, anthranilic acid, tartaric acid, tiglic acid, ascorbic acid, benzoic acid, tannic acid, succinic acid, adipic acid, fumaric acid, lactic acid, and mixtures thereof.
- 10 3. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the food acid is present in amounts of at least about 8 wt% based on the dry weight of the composition.
4. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the active agent is selected from a flavourant formulation, a pharmaceutical agent, a nutraceutical agent, or mixtures thereof.
- 15 5. A composition according to claim 1 wherein active agent is encapsulated in microcapsules that are dispersed throughout the film.
6. A composition according to claim 5 wherein the microcapsules comprise a first population of microcapsules containing a first active ingredient, and a second population of microcapsules containing a second active ingredient.
- 20 7. A composition according to claim 1 additionally comprising gelatin and or pectin.
8. A composition according to claim 1 in the form of thin wafer.
9. A composition according to claim 8 wherein the thin wafer is a monolayer.
10. A composition according to claim 8 having a thickness of 5 to 200 microns.
11. Packaging comprising a plurality of wafers according to claim 8.